

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

If the government will not support the diversity in the cable industry, then we will surely have the area dominated the same way the phone lines were, since the companies themselves are unlikely to appreciate diversity. This is because they are interested in maximizing profits, as opposed to presenting differing viewpoints and cable services.